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THE SON HAS PLANNED TO DEVOTE A SPECIAL COLUMN TO THE INTEREST OF RELIGIOUS AND CHURCH, NEWS AND ALSO TO LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

Mr. J. F. Craig, a member of the Second Baptist church and a high Mason will have charge of church and lodge news. Mr. Craig is a biblical scholar and fully competent to render efficient service. A young minister of the educated type, and has the highest respect and good will of a host of friends. All churches, lodges etc., are requested to make out your schedule and bring it into the office of the Son, No. 914 E. 12th street. Both phones 780 main and grand.

J. F. CRAIG.

Rporteur of Lodges and Churches.

INDEPENDENCE NOTES.

Rev. Mrs. Fannie Brown and daughter and Mrs. Cox are visiting in Denver, Colorado.

Miss Ida Tucker who has been quite ill since the death of her father is able to leave her home again.

The churches are having quite a success here with protracted effort.

Dr. Phenix has quite a practice here, we hope the report about him going to leave our city isn't true.

Parents open your eyes, it will soon be time to elect teachers again.

Prof. Chinn and wife of Glasco visited in our city Sunday.

Rev. Brown, pastor of the M. E. church preached a noble sermon last night, it being his last sermon for this conference year.

A \$2,000 RALLY.

The following business and professional men of Kansas City have signified their willingness to assist the Y. M. C. A. in raising \$2,000 by the first of June as a building fund. That the public may know who is interested in this effort we will print the names and the amounts paid in cash and pledged to be paid by June first. The ministers, physicians, teachers, barbers, mail carriers, postoffice employees, hotel men, police and firemen.

Executive Board Y. M. C. A.: Edward Ross, James A. Lee, John Hubbard, D. C. Kirby, James Ford, J. W. Roberts.

Mr. Edward Baker, Jr., is collector for the Rising Son. Please pay him your subscription and tell him where he can get a new subscription. Now don't give him the same old song that you stopped the paper six months ago or ordered it stopped.

All Negroes who don't desire this paper please notify this office 780 M. and 780 G. Don't wait until our collector comes around. This paper is going to the front by the good loyal Negroes who want an enterprising Negro Journal. This paper cannot exist on air and news. We must have the money. Please take notice.

Black Diamond Development Company

Chicago, March 14, 1907.

Dear Friend:—

As per request of Prof. T. W. H. Williams, our Kansas City agent, we are herewith enclosing to you some printed information pertaining to the Black Diamond Development company. The pamphlet of the managers report of November 14 covers quite a history of the Black Diamond Development company from the date of incorporation up to that time, which will give you a very good idea of what this company has done.

Since the issuing of this report I wish to say that well No. 6 has been drilled and finished and proves to be another good gas well; also the connecting up of our wells to the Kansas Natural Gas company's pipe line has been pushed with all energy and is nearing completion.

This work would have been completed much sooner, but account of the high water in the Neosho river and the bad weather which has prevailed in Kansas for several weeks, we have been unable to get pipe delivered from the city of Chanute, to our properties, six miles east.

Fred A. Westcott, our manager, just returned from the Kansas field last Wednesday where he spent several days looking after the interests of the company, and the work that is being done is certainly very gratifying, and, barring accidents and unavoidable delays Kansas City will be burning Black Diamond company's gas within the next 30 days.

Every stockholder will join us in

rejoicing over the good work which has been done by this company in its first year of existence, and the grand success we have made.

The time will come in the near future when the name of Black Diamond Development company will be heralded in every community throughout the United States as one of the grand successes achieved by "Grace, Greenbacks and Grit."

The Black Diamond Development company is another strong example of co-operation and consolidation of brains, money and energy, to which every stockholder has contributed his or her share in building its success.

In regard to there being any stock for sale will say, that there is a small amount of stock which can be had if taken at once, price being 35c per share with an allowance of 10 per cent discount for cash in amounts of \$100.00 or more.

In addition to this will say that there will be no stock for sale in a very short time as the company's finances are in good condition, as with the amount of stock now under contract will have sufficient money for all necessary needs to put on a dividend paying basis, and consequently the sale of stock will be closed as soon as the last share of this block of stock is contracted for.

Hoping you will give this matter your immediate consideration and advise me of your wishes, I remain,

A. WILBEFORCE WILLIAMS,
President.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION NOTES

W. G. Smith, artistic painter and interior decorator, of Cleveland, Ohio, will have an interesting exhibit of designs made especially for this occasion. He has had twenty years of active experience, and stands high in his calling—one in which few men of the race are engaged. He has had charge of the interior decoration of many public auditoriums and private dwellings in different sections of the country, and his work is entirely satisfactory. The embellishment of the St. Thomas Episcopal church in Chicago and the beautiful decorations in the home of the late Senator M. A. Hanna in Cleveland, are samples of what he can do in his line. At Jamestown, Mr. Smith will have two artistic ceiling designs, two types of mural decoration, and five panels, showing five different grains of wood used in making up the decoration scheme in buildings of various kinds.

Mrs. D. A. C. Jones, of Washington, D. C., an energetic business woman, who entered the hotel business twenty years ago with fifty cents and has now amassed a fortune of over \$70,000, is collecting an unique exhibit, and will give much of her time to the work of making the Negro department a success.

In 1776, when the Colonial army un-

der General George Washington moved forward to overtake the British under General Gates, a gun of curious make was left at the camp, which happened to be on the outskirts of a farm owned by a colored man, John Lewis by name. This gun, which has been preserved in the family of John Lewis as a sacred heirloom, has been kindly loaned to the Negro Exhibit, and will be found in the Negro Building at Jamestown.

Scores of relics of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, related to incidents in which Negroes have had a part will be among the striking exhibits in the Negro Building at Jamestown.

The field agents are asking prominent citizens of the various states to co-operate with them in the work of collecting exhibits, and are meeting with favorable responses at the hands of the substantial people everywhere.

In answer to numerous requests, the Committee states that there are no funds to be used in paying persons for making exhibits for miscellaneous advertising, holding meetings, etc. All of the available funds are used in the construction and maintenance of the building at Jamestown, the employment of the few field agents for the transportation of exhibits to the building. Much of the work done by individuals must, of necessity, be a labor of love and a contribution to a cause which carries benefits in which every member of the race will share in equal proportion.

WASHINGTON, D. C. NOTES.

Howard University — Post-Graduate Course and Polyclinic.

The history of the Medical Department of Howard University has shown that it is alive to the advanced progress made in Medicine, Surgery and Dentistry. The fixed and definite policy has been to make the school the equal of the best in the country and to prepare graduates for state board examinations. The Alumni, as a rule, are doing well and reflect credit on their Alma Mater.

"Nothing succeeds like success," and the school has prospered every time and advance is made in raising the standard and the curriculum. Day instruction has been a success and the number of matriculates has increased. There were 288 registered

for session 1906-1907—the largest number in the history of the department—and most of the students are graduates of high schools or have an equivalent preliminary education. The Medical and Dental Colleges are in full accord with their respective National Associations, and Howard University diplomas are recognized in every state and territory of the United States.

The time has now come when our graduates need the facilities and instruction offered by a post-graduate course and polyclinic, and the Medical Faculty is ready to respond to their call—hence it has been decided to inaugurate a School of Post-Graduate Instruction in May and June, 1907, and we believe that this new feature will mark a very important epoch in the history of the school and attract a large number of practitioners to avail themselves of the ample facilities of the New Freedmen's Hospital, which is costing more than half a million dollars, is national in character and scope, and is destined to be a center of polyclinic education.

Undergraduates attending the School of Medicine will increase just in proportion as this Polyclinic is a success. Parent will naturally wish their children to study at a school where ample facilities are afforded in every branch of medical, dental and pharmaceutical instruction. As Howard University is the best place for the colored professional man or woman to specialize after a thorough course of study, it is the place to send the children to prepare for their life work.

Howard University will then be doing her whole duty—standing for higher education along all lines for those who desire such instruction and carrying out what was in the mind of the man whom we all love and honor—the great founder of Howard University, General O. O. Howard.

Night School.

Secretary Shadd contemplates recommending to the Faculty that night instruction be given to those employed during the day, provided the Association of American Medical Colleges will approve of his suggestion. President Thirkield and Dean Reynolds consider it feasible and just to the many bright young men and women who have passed the Civil Service and have positions in the Department at Washington. Many of these are well prepared for professional studies. The matter will be definitely settled at the meeting which will be held in the City May 6, 1907. As a large number of persons were refused admission last October, Secretary Shadd desires the names of all who wish to matriculate this October so that he may have data upon which to predict his request that Howard University be allowed to add this feature to the curriculum.

With a Post-Graduate Course and Polyclinic, a five year's course for night classes and Quiz Corps to prepare graduates for State Board Examinations, Howard University will take first rank as a place for higher education.

ELKS TURNED DOWN.

State Corporation Commission Refuses Charter Asked for by Howard Faction Puts B. F. Howard Out of the State—Commission Held Norfolk Would Infringe on Rights Already Granted Dr. Adkins' Faction—Howard Operates Under Kentucky Charter.

The branch of the Negro Elks, of which Dr. William E. Atkins, of Hampton, is the grand exalted ruler, has won a big victory before the Virginia State Corporation Commission. The decision of the Corporation Commission was announced a few days ago and it now seems possible that B. F. Howard, who heads the other branch of the belligerent Elks, will be prevented from doing business in the Old Dominion.

Dr. Atkins and his faction secured a charter from the Commission last summer and Howard has been operating under a charter granted him in Kentucky.

A few days ago the Norfolk Lodge of Negro Elks, which, like the lodge in Newport News, is associated with the Howard faction, applied to the State Corporation Commission for a charter similar to the one now held by Dr. Atkins' faction. Judge D. T. Brooks and several other prominent lawyers of Norfolk, represented the Howard contingent.

Dr. Atkins engaged the services of Judge Sidney J. Dudley and the Hon. S. Gordon Cumming and a protest was made against the granting of the charter to the Norfolk lodge. The attorneys for Dr. Atkins contended that the Howard faction desired to infringe upon the rights granted their faction in the Virginia charter.

Judge Crump, the chairman of the Commission, informed the attorneys for Dr. Atkins that the Commission has decided to refuse the application of the Norfolk Lodge and therefore, under the terms of Dr. Atkins' charter the Howard faction will likely be unable to continue doing business in Virginia.

The Atkins faction has been rapidly increasing since the fight started last summer and with the decision of the Corporation Commission, Howard's faction has suffered the greatest defeat yet.

Richmond has one of the most progressive lodges of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in the country. For years it stood loyal to the Howard side, but on December 6th, 1906, by unanimous vote it withdrew from the Howard side and joined the Atkins forces. It numbers in its members of more than a

hundred members many of the most substantial citizens of Richmond. The members are progressive and enthusiastic. Arrangements are being made for a great public installation in the near future. This promises to be one of the most interesting entertainments ever given in Richmond.

Among the officers of the Lodge are: Mr. Andrew J. Brown, of the Richmond post-office, Exalted Ruler; Mr. A. D. Price, Trustee, Wm. M. Monroe, Trustee, Mr. Edward Cook, Trustee; Mr. Richard Washington, Treasurer; Mr. W. P. Burrell, Financial Secretary; Mr. Walter Cowan, Recording Secretary; Mr. W. F. Williams, Esteemed Leading Knight, Dr. W. H. Hughes, Messrs. Walter Peyton, J. H. Hayes, Esq., W. M. Miller, Edward Clay, W. Isaac Johnson, E. W. Brown and other well known men are among the members. Dr. R. E. Jones is the Grand Medical Examiner for the United States, and he is also Past Exalted Ruler of Capital City Lodge. Mr. W. J. Benjamin, also of this Lodge, is the Grand District Deputy.

Grand Exalted Ruler, Dr. W. E. Atkins will be in Richmond soon, and will install the officers. (Front Page)

Beginning with April the 1st this paper is going to give a diamond ring to the solicitor who can bring in the greatest number of subscribers. A free ticket to the Jamestown Exposition to the subscriber who gets the lucky number. A gold watch to the next highest number.

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Emery, Bird, Thayer Co., Brown-ing @ King, Nebraska Clothing Co., Stevenson's, Hubbard's Shoe Store and all the largest white business firms advertise with us.

Because our circulation is twice the combined circulation of all the other Negro weekly newspapers. Besides, a standing of ten years in the community, from a point of authenticity we are foremost. From a point of educational instructiveness we stand preeminent. Our representatives are the most intelligent Negroes in the journalistic field of today. Our circulation is increasing at a wonderful p dity, and as soon as it reaches the 10,000 mark we will change it to a daily. Go on, Rising Son, keep on Rising!